



ÉCOLE ST. GERMAIN PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

May 14, 2025, Meeting Minutes

Attendance: : Sam Hobday, Mike Hobday, Janelle Chambers, Alison Bulow, Lindsay Henderson, Karin Holmes, Kaeleigh Bowels, Nicole Hacault, Karlene Fontaine, Angel-Leighia Chapman-Klassen, Richel Lehmann

Meeting called to order 7:05

1. Motion to approve the agenda made by Sam Hobday, 2nd by Karin Holmes **PASSED**
2. Motion to approve minutes from February made by Richel Lehmann, 2nd by Karin Holmes **PASSED**
3. Treasurers report
 - a. April Lacoste fundraiser \$3600 collected and paid out \$3000 so we made about \$600. The next Munch a Lunch started and pre-paid money for meals came in.
 - b. The school made 2 purchases under the mobile library of about \$700 of the \$2500 that was approved.
 - c. Motion made to approve the \$200 donation to the church for use of parking lot made by Karin Holmes 2nd by Sam Hobday **PASSED**
 - d. Scholarship coming for the ESG student for \$500 made by Karin Homes 2nd by Sam Hobday **PASSED** (the scholarships come from varying schools and spread it out amongst the students)
4. Administrators report
 - a. Folk Dance in the Park: hot day but successful, the bus pick up was the biggest obstacle, but overall great. This year at Maple Grove instead of St. Vital park to avoid some possible issues. Feedback on Maple Grove was more so needing people to help direct parking and traffic getting out of the park.
 - b. Spring concert, a total of 6 shows with great attendance. It worked well having people come during the day to distribute the attendance. The kids were tired after the 3 shows and so talking about doing only 2 shows instead of 3. Feedback on the livecast was that the volume was a bit low and some people stood in front of the camera at one point, so more awareness about the livecast.
 - c. Bump up activity is happening June 25th in the morning.
 - d. First preliminary meeting on the Bike Bus. Goal is to do 4, May 29th, June 5, 12 and 19th. We are still looking for more bike marshalls.
 - e. MPI is planning on coming to the school to do the bike rodeo for grades 3-5 on June 18th. The students bring their bikes to school and MPI sets up a course and they learn rules of riding.
 - f. Doing a walk in the community to promote the rights of all on May 30th in the afternoon at 1:30.

- g. 5 wooden garden beds are arriving May 20th, one of the shops classes is making them for us. They will go where the butterfly garden is, the classes can plant vegetables and the daycare will water over the summer.
- h. Pride flag will be raised on May 23rd.
- i. June 21st activities for National indigenous peoples day
- j. June 24th is outdoor field day.
- k. Staff lunch June 18th and looking for parent volunteers to help with supervising during that time

8. Old business

- a. Lacoste \$544.50 on gift cards, lower than usual and could have been because it was run right after other fundraisers and McDowell was running it at the same time. Sending home with students went well.
- b. Movie night, RSVP worked, but it was also the same week of Lice in the school, so attendance was only 60 as opposed to the 100 that signed up. The weather was also turning around for the better. Popcorn was ordered, half a bag was donated to the teachers for a PD day. Popcorn tickets worked really well.
- c. Hot lunch vs Healthy Hunger - Kim is still looking into it.

10. New Business

- a. Kaeleigh is stepping up to be treasurer
- b. Nicole is stepping down as co-secretary and looking to fill that for next year.
- c. Would like to have a fundraising and special events committee for next year. (need names of 2 that offered to be a part of it)
- d. Fundraising plans for next year. We agreed to \$2500 for the mobile library, we have the funds for it, with wanting to do another \$2500 for next year. Would like to start the year off with more of a plan for when we are doing fundraisers. Planning out Sobeys/Co Op, Krispy Kreme went well, Munch a Lunch, as they are our biggest fundraisers.
- e. Discussing other ways to fundraise, as an example the "not a fundraiser fundraiser", and doing it differently with Scholastic to get the teachers wish list more noticed.
- f. Looking for babysitters for next year for those that are 12 and have taken the course.
- g. Need to update the bylaws to include Leah's position of Communication Coordinator, to be carried out at next meeting.
- h. Grade 5 farewell being taken care of by the teachers this year, the students to go to activate and then a pizza lunch.
- i. Possibility of a talent show happening in June but not yet determined.
- j. 3 Kindergarten classes to be incoming for next year.

11. Next meeting June 11th

12. Adjourned 7:50pm